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LETTER DATED 6 MAY 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF BELGIUM, FRANCE AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

We have the honour to draw to your attention the text, in French and in English, of a declaration on the recent events in Sarajevo which was adopted by the European Community and its member States at Lisbon and Brussels on 5 May 1992.

We should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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## Annex

## Declaration on recent events in Sarajevo

[Original: French/English]

The European Community and its member States exhort all parties in Sarajevo to act with the utmost restraint and to do all in their power to refrain from any further action that might lead to a catastrophic situation of unforeseeable consequences.

The European Community and its member States urge the JNA to fully support the presidency of Bosnia and Hercegovina in the exercise of its constitutional responsibilities in order to resolve all outstanding issues. They also call upon the legal authorities of the Republic to do all in their power for the immediate lifting of the blockade of the military academy and other military installations.

The European Community and its member States condemn the seizure of President Izetbegovic by the JNA on Saturday as well as the repeated shelling of Sarajevo by JNA and irregular forces which has already caused the death of many innocent civilians and brought considerable destruction in the city.

The European Community and its member States likewise condemn the attack made on Sunday of a JNA convoy which was proceeding under the terms of an agreement with the presidency of Bosnia and Hercegovina, brokered by United Nations and European Community representatives during a time which the basic rules of democracy were being violated by the JNA.

Once again the European Community and its member States appeal to the parties concerned to enforce existing cease-fire agreements, without which no viable political solution to the problems of Bosnia and Hercegovina is possible, and to proceed with negotiations on the withdrawal of the JNA.

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